

Article 34 Amendments

Claims

Original claims 3-7 remain pending in the International Application and are unchanged.

Original claim 8 in the International Application is canceled.

Original claims 1-2 are changed. But the English translation of the changed claim 2 is the same as the original that of claim 2. Original claim 1 is as follows:

1. (Amended) A pneumatic tire for heavy load comprising:
 - three circumferential main grooves extending on a tread in the circumferential direction; and
 - ribs defined by these circumferential main grooves, characterized in that the centerline of the center circumferential main groove among the three circumferential main grooves is positioned on the equator line of the tread, and
 - that a thin rib-shaped uneven abrasion sacrificing part having a step in a clearance thereof from the surface of the tread is formed only in the center circumferential main groove,
 - and
 - that the center circumferential main groove involves see-through groove portion extending to the straight,

and

that, when a step of the thin rib-shaped uneven abrasion sacrificing part formed in the clearance thereof from the surface of the tread is indicated by d , and a depth of the center circumferential main groove is indicated by D , the relationship expressed by the formula $0.7D \leq (D-d) \leq D-3\text{mm}$ is satisfied.